



REFUSE TO BE A VICTIM

DON'T OPEN IT UP!

- Be leary of door-to-door sales representatives offering free or low-cost products or services.
- Professional con artists will try to pressure you into buying their product on the spot and only want cash payments.
- Never let a salesman into your home particularly if you are alone.

TEAR IT UP!

- Discard any offers you receive in the mail that are from sweepstakes or lotteries...if it sounds too good to be true, ***IT IS!!! There is no such thing as getting free money in the mail!***
- Be wary of flashy envelopes or personalized letters. Companies spend millions on mailings so they appeal to the consumer.
- If you are told you are to act immediately or cash a check immediately, tear up all the papers and throw them away...it's a SCAM.
- If you do not think something is legitimate, TEAR IT UP!

HANG IT UP!

- Con artists target seniors by telephone.
- NEVER give out personal information (Medicare number, social security number, credit card, bank account, etc.) over the phone unless **you** initiate the call.
- Never pay for a prize over the phone.
- Don't agree to any offers unless you see it in writing. Ask the company to mail you information.
- If you receive telemarketing phone calls JUST HANG UP!
- To place your number on the National ***Do Not Call Registry***, call ***1-888-382-1222***.

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